# Billings JSEC Meeting Minutes December 19, 2008

7:30 am

Prepared by: Paul Ayers, Billing Job Service, JSEC Coordinator

#### **In attendance:**

Lisa Wallace-MSU Billings Vonda Sorenson-NAPA Lynn Dee

LynnDee Schmidt – Yellowstone County
Ryan Brosseau- The Billings Gazette
Hilary Swenson – Wells Fargo

Kathy Jo Opperud – Hoiness LaBar
Steve Wilson – Career Center
Deverie Kelley – Job Corps

Frank Fleming, Judy Towlerton and Paul Ayers – Billings Job Service

**Previous minutes:** No changes.

<u>Managers Minute:</u> Frank reported that interviews have been held and he expects to hire up to 5 new Employment Specialists here at Billings Job Service and have on board by 12 Jan, 2009. The Billings Job Service door count is between 400-500 job seekers each day. Livingston and Lewistown Job Service are providing 2 -3 Employment Specialists a day in Billings to assist in our Lobby and at the Front Desk. The largest 5 cities in Montana which includes Billings are expecting to have a direct inter active phone line one day each week for job seekers to immediately contact an Unemployment Insurance representative via telephone to obtain registration assistance and answer general questions, (Missoula is currently using and Billings should be soon).

<u>Treasurers Report:</u> Ending balance is: \$4,288.53. No deposits or withdraws since last meeting.

## **Old Business:**

<u>Scholarship</u>: The Career Center has the 2009 Scholarship applications to hand out. Steve Wilson commented that he has been handing out the applications and feels there will be several good candidates. He also expressed his appreciation and thanked the JSEC Committee for again offering these scholarships to the Career Center students.

<u>Jobs Jamboree planning:</u> All agreed to use Staggering Ox as our Food Vendor. All attending reviewed the Employer Registration and Paul to make some minor modifications and forward to Job Service Manager and JSEC Officers for final approval.

#### 2010 Conference:

Paul will send out latest e-mail from Chris Wilhelm replying to Patty proposal she put together to hold the conference at the Crowne Plaza to all committee members and they are to respond with a, "Agree" or "Disagree" so that Paul can forward to Chris.

<u>Billings JSEC By-Laws discussion-</u> Tabled for future meeting, however Paul e-mail out By-Laws to all JSEC members so that they have the opportunity to review prior to next JSEC meeting.

## **New Business:**

Discussion held on changing start time of JSEC meeting from 7:30am to 8am. Paul will e-mail and poll JSEC members for their input. We also discussed recruitment of new JSEC members – all employers are encouraged to help in this process.